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APPROVAL OF LARGE-SCALE UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

Project title and number:	Strengthening of the Rural Development Planning at the District and Regional Level (URT/78/006)
Executing Agency:	United Nations
Government co-operating agency:	Prime Minister's Office
Date of approval:	August 1978
Starting date for project operations:	October 1978
Duration:	Three years
Estimated value of the Government input expressed in US dollars:	$842 100 (In kind)
Estimated UNDP contribution:	$1 136 400
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. Tanzania is now implementing its Third Five-Year Development Plan 1976-81 which aims, inter alia, at self-sufficiency in food requirements by 1981, expansion of the industrial sector, utilizing local raw materials, investigation and exploitation of natural resources, and improvement and expansion of the transport and communication network, health, education and social services in all regions. The gross domestic product is expected to grow at 6 per cent per annum. Agriculture is expected to grow at 5.10 per cent, industry at 9.3 per cent, water and energy at 10.3 per cent, transport and communications at 6.5 per cent, and human resources sector at 5.6 per cent.

2. In order to implement its national plans with the active participation of villages, districts and regions, the Government since 1972 has decentralized the system of administration and planning. Commendable experience has been gained in planning techniques particularly at the national level. The Government has in the current plan put major emphasis on increasing the capacity of district and regional planners in the formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of district and regional plans, programmes and projects. UNDP assistance is aimed at strengthening the above capacity through training.

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II. The project

3. The development objective is the creation of a planning capacity at the district and regional level to facilitate the implementation of the Third Five-Year National Development Plan 1976-1981 through a decentralized system of administration and planning.

4. The immediate objectives are to train in the country about 500 regional and district planning officers in techniques of formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of district and regional plans, programmes and projects and to provide advanced training abroad for a selected number of regional and district planners in planning techniques and projects appraisals. The project will also develop practical, problem-solving courses and training materials in rural development planning at both regional and district levels.

5. UNDP will provide, through the Executing Agency, for the services of four experts in regional and rural development planning, agricultural economics, project analysis (industrial economics), and regional physical planning, for consultants, training, equipment and for miscellaneous expenses. The Government will provide for the necessary counterpart staff, administrative support personnel, training, premises, supplies and equipment.

6. The expenditure components of the UNDP contribution are as follows:

	m/m	$
Expert services	144	715 000
Training	180	261 400
Equipment		100 000
Miscellaneous		60 000
		1 136 400

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